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## INDUSTRIAL OUTPUT INCREASES UNDER NATIONALIZATION

Two years have elapsed since the nationalization of industry, which transferred 5,552 enterprises to public administration. Operations have been re organized and modern technical methods have been introduced during this period, and the two main branches of industry, metallurgy and machine building, have been considerably expanded. During the first year after nationalization, the 2,011 enterprises which had been transferred to the jurisdiction of the Ministry of Justice were reorganized and merged into 813 large enterprises; the former workers, however, were not dismissed, but, after reorganization, were supplemented with new, skilled personnel, working for higher wages. Whereas 54,742 persons were employed at the time of nationalization, the number in the 813 enterprises reached 72,172 during one year, producing an employment increase of

Nationalization did not bring standardization and shrinking of industry, lower productivity, or pauperization, but the opposite in each respect, as may be seen from the following figures: with 1939 production equal to 100, the production of the power industry reached 129 in 1945 and 187 in 1949; bituminous coal production had a corresponding increase from 116 in 1945 to 171 in 1949. Ore production rose from 93 to 244, textile production from 72 to 215, and metal products from 126 to 1,013.

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